Appl No. 10/618,018 Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to correct minor typographical errors, and is believed to be supported throughout the specification. No new matter is believed to be added by entry of these amendments.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits. Early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited.

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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

BaO is not essential, but may be contained up to 25% in order to improve the water resistance, to suppress phase separation or to increase α . If it exceeds 25%, α tends to be too large. Preferably, it is at most 20%. In a case where BaO is contained, its content is preferably at most least 1%, more preferably at least 10%.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Further, in each of Examples 1 to 11, 100 g of the glass powder, or in Example 12, 100.3 g of a colored powder obtained by mixing $\frac{3}{2}$ 0.3 g of a blue color inorganic pigment Daipyroxide TM blue, manufactured by Dainichiseika Color & Chemicals Mfg. Co., Ltd. containing Co and Al and 100 g of the glass powder, was kneaded with 25 g of an organic vehicle, to prepare a glass paste. Here, the organic vehicle was prepared by dissolving 12% by mass percentage of ethyl cellulose in α -terpineol.